

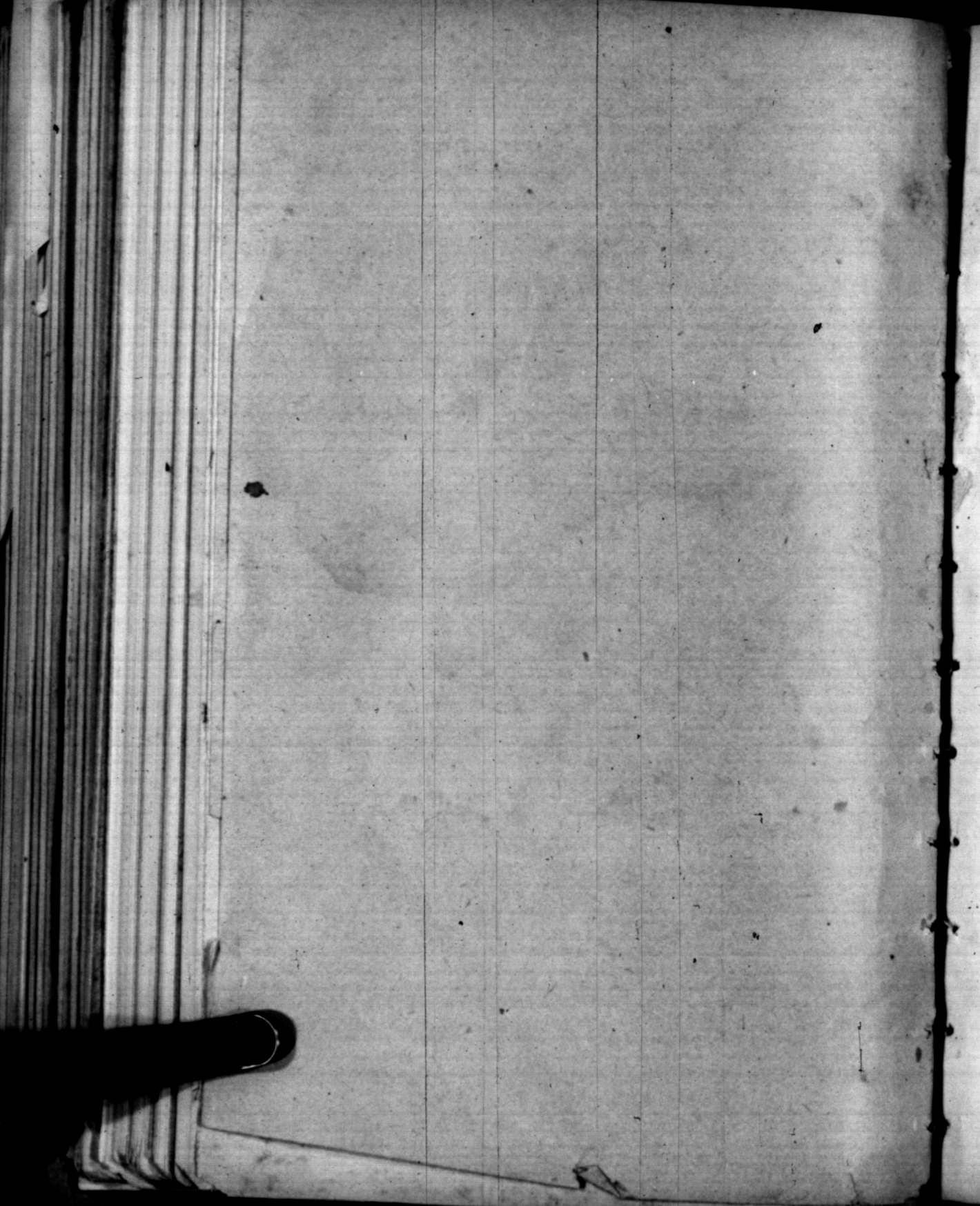
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OFFICERS:

MODERATOR: T. E. Morris, Lena, Miss.

CLERK AND TREASURER: T. G. Ward, Lena, Miss.

NEXT MEETING.

PLACE: - - Good Hope, Leake County, twenty miles north of Morton.

TIME: - - Friday before the fourth Sabbath in October, 1903.

INTRODUCTORY SERMON: A. M. Barnett, Standing Pine, Miss.

ALTERNATE: E. J. Hill, Dossville, Miss.

PROCEEDINGS.

Barnes, Miss., Oct. 24th, 1902.

According to adjournment of last session the Harmony Baptist Association met with Rocky Point Church, Leake County, in its fifty-third annual session.

After the congregation had sung a hymn the moderator of last session, T. E. Morris, called on J. F. Parkinson, who read the twenty-third division of the Psalms. After prayer the body was called to order.

The moderator appointed O. M. Lucas and T. J. Moore reading clerks; S. A. Moore, D. Ellington and Willie Jack (chk) Finance committee. Letters were then read from the following named churches and the brethren whose names are found opposite, were seated as delegates:

Bethany (chk)—Will Jimmie, Silmon Bell.

Camden—J. E. Gober.

Carthage—P. H. Rushing.

Cedar Grove—John Watkins.

Center Hill—M. D. Allen and J. T. Parker.

Cross Roads—Robert Hawthorn.

Friendship—J. M. Porter, T. J. Moore, T. G. Ward, J. F. Parkinson, Warren Savil and S. A. Moore.

Good Hope (L.)—T. E. Morris, G. W. Nutt, J. G. Gilmore and Henry Collier.

Good Hope (M.)—J. F. Kernop, J. P. Gober, E. B. Smith.

Hebron—O. B. Thornton and Robert Knight.

Hopewell—T. M. Ellington and J. M. Ellington.

Hopewell (chk)—Willie Jack and Jasper West.

Midway—S. D. Jackson and G. G. Navery.

Mt. Carmel—James A. Franks and J. J. Blocker.

Mt. Zion—Walter Thomas and Everett Gunter.

Mt. Zion (chk)—Tom Anderson and Pat Chitto.

- New Hope*—James Young and A. H. Langston.
New Union—W. D. Evans and Willie Kemp.
Plymouth—R. C. Barham.
Rocky Point—W. P. Dorril, W. T. Fielder, E. S. Douglas
 and H. G. McAdory.
Salem—J. N. Dorril and John Phillips.
Standing Pine—P. C. Barnett and Thomas Scott.
Stump Bridge—A. B. Colman.
Thomastown—Charles Edwards, E. T. Gober and Drury
 Ellington.
Tuscola—W. O. Lindsey.
Union (chk)—Rufus York and John McGee.
Wake Forest—G. W. Moore and A. L. Young.
Walnut Grove—B. W. Ferguson, Oscar Jones and D. J.
 Britt.

The body was then declared ready for permanent organization which resulted in the election of T. E. Morris, Moderator; T. G. Ward, Clerk and Treasurer. The moderator declared the body permanently organized.

The body rose and sung that old familiar song, "Come thou fount of every blessing" then seated themselves and listened attentively to the introductory sermon, preached by Rev. E. J. Hill, the appointee. Text, John 17:23. Sermon was pointed and well delivered. After which took recess for dinner.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

A call for petitionary letters; none reported.

Corresponding messengers were seated from the following bodies:

- State Board—A. V. Rowe.
 Pearl Valley Association—H. Savel, Z. M. Dunn and D.
 B. Cannon.
 Louisville Association—W. T. Carroll, J. D. Fulton and
 O. L. Crow.
 Kosciusko Association—H. P. Hurt and H. M. Whitten.
 Deer Creek Association—W. S. Blackman.

RETURNED CORRESPONDENCE.

Be it resolved, That any member or members of any church or churches that belong to this body who may be present at the meetings with other bodies, with which we are in correspondence, are hereby authorized to act as members from us.

T. J. Moore was elected delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention and E. J. Hill, alternate.

By motion, the report of the Board of Trustees was set Saturday just after the beginning of our afternoon session.

The report of the Executive Board was read and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

We have held three meetings, viz: At Tuscola in March; at Mt. Zion in June and at Plymouth in August. At each meeting the various mission points within the Associational bounds that are without Baptist preaching were discussed, but nothing done in the way of supplying those points with preaching until our meeting in August, when brother T. C. Barnett agreed to hold a few services at Pleasant Hill to ascertain whether or not it would be advisable to employ some one to hold regular services.

We further state that the State Board is doing the following work in the Association at the following churches and stations:

Hebron to G. W. Nutt.....	\$25 00
Lottville to H. H. Webb.....	40 00
Plymouth to J. A. Johnson.....	25 00
Tuscola to T. J. Moore.....	50 00
Indian Missions to Scott York.....	30 00

Total.....\$170.00

Discussions of practical and doctrinal questions have formed a very interesting and we trust profitable feature in each of our meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

T. E. MORRIS, *Moderator,*

T. G. WARD, *Clerk.*

A committee on devotional exercises was appointed as follows: W. P. Dorril, F. M. Ellington, E. T. Gober, Pastor and deacons of Rocky Point Church.

By motion, 10:30 A. M. Saturday was made the special hour for the report on Missions.

The report of committee on devotional exercises was as follows:

J. D. Fulton at Barnes' school house to-night. H. P. Hurt at Gray's school house to-night. W. T. Carroll at the Methodist church Saturday at 11:30 A. M.

By motion, the Association adjourned till Saturday morning, A. M.

LIST OF COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

Missions—T. J. Moore, P. H. Rushing and John Watkins.
Nominations—T. B. Blalock, J. T. Parker, O. B. Thorman.
Orphanage—J. F. Parkinson, F. M. Ellington, J. P. Gohr.
Woman's Work—T. G. Ward, W. O. Lindsey, G. W. Moore.
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Obituaries—W. P. Dorril, J. M. Porter, Robert Hawthorn.
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SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

After a song and prayer by J. D. Fulton the Association was called to order by the moderator at nine A. M.

The minutes of Friday were read by the clerk and approved by the body.

Report on Publications was read by J. F. Parkinson and ably discussed by O. M. Lucas and adopted.

REPORT ON PUBLICATIONS.

The undersigned was appointed at the last session of Harmony Baptist Association (1901) to report on Publications, to your session to connect 1902, with the Rocky Point Church, makes this report, viz:

This is an era of education that eclipses the past history of the world. Cheap literature, however, is being spread broadcast over the country, much of which is baneful, corrupting and pernicious to the public taste.

has been said "that our associates are a part of us." How much more truthfully can this be said of what we read. See the character of the literature a man reads, and you have at once suggested the character of the reader. The literature you place in the hands of your sons and daughters is one of the grand factors in the formation of their characters.

Would you have your sons grow up highwaymen? If so, put in their hands dime novels and let them study the lives and wonderful achievements of train robbers. Would you have your daughters grow up spiritless of false sentimentalities, destitute of positiveness of character for good? Then place in their hands the trashy literature, which to-day is burdening the mails, and as too often true is flooding the homes of our people. But to the contrary, if you would have your sons and daughters grow up strong men and women of positive characters, who will make the world better because they have lived; place in their hands none but literature of the highest moral and intellectual tone, that is constantly appealing to the loftiest sentiments of nature.

Be not deceived, "As ye sow, so shall ye also reap." We would ask, How many of your homes are there, into which go weekly, political news papers and trashy periodicals, and into which not a single copy of any religious news paper or good book enters? Brethren of Harmony Association, let me ask of you to give this subject your careful and prayerful attention.

I would recommend all good books of high moral tone and among such to keep especially in your homes for the reading of children, *Theodosia Ernest*, *Grace Truman*, *Infidel's Daughter* and their like. Brethren, put them in your homes, and my word for it they will read them.

As to periodicals, as a Mississippian addressing Mississippi Baptists, before all I would recommend your State paper, *The Baptist*. Second in importance I would commend *The Home Field* and *The Foreign Mission Journal*. Nor should we fail to recommend the little *GEM*, published at Jackson, by the little orphans, in the interest of our Baptist Orphanage, over which Bro. and sister Foster so ably preside. In conclusion, let me emphasize, See what your sons and daughters are reading.

Respectfully submitted,

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Report on Missions was read by T. J. Moore, discussed by T. J. Moore and A. V. Rowe, and adopted.

REPORT ON MISSIONS.

Missions was in the mind of Jehovah before this world was. Seeing the future need of a future race, God purposed a remedy in his own Son to be sent and so Christ stood as a lamb slain from the foundation of the world, thus the mission work was planned. The motive for missions is love. Missions is not only love's offspring, but love is its root, its soil and its foundation of strength.

The mission spirit lives nor grows save as it is nourished from the soil of love in the heart. God's love promoted that first great mission offering for the lost souls of men, his only begotten son, God so loved the world that he gave. There are three elements that enter into the process of the salvation of every sinner.

The atonement, the work of the Holy Spirit and faith. God independently of us, provides the first two. An atonement has been provided in the suffering of Jesus Christ sufficient to cover the sins of the whole world. The Spirit to quicken is promised to be with his disciples wherever they shall preach the Word, even to the end of the world. The atonement and the quickening power are solely the work of God.

Faith, a third element above mentioned is produced through human agency. Preaching or proclaiming the Gospel is the medium through which God establishes faith in a human soul. In this work, God has given his people a part. Earthen vessels have been chosen to bear the precious words of life to a dying world. In this we are co-workers together with God. It is His to command and encourage, while it is ours to proclaim Christ to all men. Our marching orders are, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature, etc. If we love him who gave this command and love a lost world of our fellowship, we will find a response within our hearts to this call. This response is the mission spirit. To be without it, is to be without Christ. A Christian who refuses to aid in the spread of the Gospel, or excuses himself on any ground whatever, is not only guilty of quenching the Spirit, whereby he has been sealed, but is robbing himself of that blessing, mentioned in the language of Jesus wherein he said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Southern Baptists are being wonderfully blest in every division of their mission work. Through our Foreign Board we are doing work in six foreign countries. There were twenty new missionaries sent out last year. This Board reports 1439 accessions.

Our Home Board directs the work within the bounds of the Southern States, with the island of Cuba and some of the western Territories added. This Board reports 17,201 additions to our churches last year. What a wonderful work! The State Board of our Mississippi Baptist State Con-

vention is doing an effectual and a marvelous work. Let us recognize this as a day of opportunities with Mississippi Baptists. As our State is making such rapid strides in the way of secular enterprise developments, shall we not see to it that the Messiah's cause shall keep pace with this new secular awakening. We with pride note the progress made in mission contributions within the last decade by the churches of Harmony Association.

Ten years ago we met at this place, Rocky Point. Our churches reported in their letters at that time only \$50.65 collected for missions the preceding associational year. Last year they reported \$477.48, an increase of nearly ten fold in nine years. Let us thank God and take courage. We recommend that every church composing this Association take three mission collections a year, as follows: Foreign Missions in December; Home Missions in April and State Missions in September. We further recommend that our pastors keep themselves and their churches informed upon these three branches of our mission work.

Respectfully submitted,

T. J. MOORE,
P. H. RUSHING,
JOHN WATKINS.

By motion, Bro. H. P. Hurt was called on to preach at the Baptist church, the hour being 11:45. Bro. W. T. Carroll at the same hour, according to previous arrangements, preached at the Methodist church. Both services were interesting and helpful. After which took recess for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

After a song and prayer led by P. H. Rushing the moderator called the body to order.

The report of the Trustees of Harmony Baptist Institute was read by T. J. Moore, the secretary, discussed by T. J. Moore, J. F. Parkinson, Caitus Cox, and adopted.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF HARMONY INSTITUTE.

Dear Brethren:—Again your Board of Trustees of the Institute bearing your name and under your control are before you with cheerful and encouraging report. The school is growing in popularity and efficiency all the time. Its equipment, and organization are becoming better every year.

We reported to your last meeting that a hope to enroll 200 students during the session was entertained. The enrollment went to eleven past that number. The tuition something more than paid the teachers last session and the surplus was appropriated to improvements. The present session is encouraging indeed. Notwithstanding the short crop, we have a full and self sustaining school. Our faculty of teachers are amply efficient and full of energy and love for their work. The Lena community maintains

that high moral and religious status for which it is so noted. This school well deserves the influence and patronage that is being so generously given it by our people. The term of office of T. G. Ward expires at this session of your body, A. B. Hill having moved out of the bounds of our Association has tendered his resignation as Trustee. We recommend that you receive this resignation and elect others to their offices.

Respectfully submitted,

A. L. MORRIS, Ch'n.

T. J. MOORE, Sec.

Committee on devotional exercises reported that G. W. Nutt preach at Gray's school house to night, W. S. Blackman preach at Barnes' school house to night, J. D. Fulton preach Sunday at eleven A. M. at the Baptist church and T. J. Moore preach at the Methodist church Sunday at eleven A. M. The Choctaw brethren to hold service at two P. M.

The Report on Ministerial Education and Mississippi College was read by J. G. Gilmore, discussed by T. E. Morris and adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

To the Harmony Baptist Association assembled in its fifty third annual session.

Your committee on Ministerial Education submit the following: Experience teaches that there is no problem that confronts our denomination of greater magnitude than the question of the Education of her rising ministry. We are living in a progressive age. The human family is expanding in all of the relations of life. And for the church of Christ to be equal to the demands made upon it we must assist our brethren that God has called and sent them forth to cope with the situation in hand. We do not believe that literary education is a Scriptural qualification but we do believe that it is a practical necessity. Let us not forget that the world is our Lord's field; we are his husbandmen. Therefore let us equip the laborer with the necessary implements to do the most effective work.

Furthermore the education of our ministry presents itself from a financial stand-point. Experience teaches that there is no way in which we can invest our Lord's means more effectively than in Ministerial Education; for when you instruct and inform the pastor he in turn imparts the same to the laity. We verily believe that the trouble with our people is not stinginess but for the want of the necessary information. And we are bound to admit that an educated minister can do more advantageously than one uneducated. Furthermore brethren, there are scores of worthy men who deserve our aid and we are commanded in Gal. 6: 2. To bear one another's burdens and so fulfil the law of Christ. Now while interest and contribu-

tions have continued to increase for this cause there is still room to enlarge for the recipients have been in excess of the contributions. So let us thank God and take courage and may He graciously lead us to the liberality of giving until there shall not be one who desires our aid that will have to be denied on the account of exhausted funds. In conclusion permit us to state that our Baptist Institution, Mississippi College, notwithstanding three consecutive failures in crops opened with an excellent number of young men in attendance, and to date has 266. Twenty-eight of which are preparing for the ministry, two-thirds of which are receiving help from the Ministerial Board. The Board reported to the Convention the expenditure of \$200.00 on necessary repairs on cottages. Dr. Lowrey furthermore reports the Ministerial funds exhausted and states that the Board has borrowed \$225.00 from the Jackson bank which amount now is due with interest all of which deficits is likely attributed to the college endowment effort. Therefore in the light of these facts, let us urge the importance upon every pastor to take collections at as early a date as possible, and let us endeavor to arouse our people to more liberal giving along this line. Respectfully submitted,

J. G. GILMORE,
J. F. KERNOP,
S. D. JACKSON.

The report on Temperance was read by J. G. Gilmore, discussed by H. M. Whitten, W. S. Blackman, Z. M. Dunn, and adopted:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

Your committee on Temperance submit for your consideration, the following:

Temperance is one of the most important questions with which Christ's army has to compete, and is just at this juncture, a subject that is receiving a special recognition. It will be one of the issues of the coming political campaign, and we, your committee, especially urge it upon every Baptist within our bounds to see to it, that we support no man to represent us in our next Legislature, and let us as Christ's people, support no one who will not indorse this noble move to blot out a curse that is robbing our homes of all that is noble and pure. And in conclusion, we recommend that this body indorse the Memorial adopted by the Baptist State Convention, that is to be presented to the next Legislature assembled.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. GILMORE, W. P. DORRIL,
P. C. BARNETT.

The report on Queries and Requests was read by P. H. Rushing and adopted:

REPORT ON QUERIES AND REQUESTS.

Your committee on Queries and Requests report that we find no queries but find two requests. Good Hope (L.) and Walnut Grove churches asking for the next meeting of the Association to be held with them.

Your committee would recommend Good Hope (L) as the next place for the meeting of the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

P. H. RUSHING, J. H. YOUNG,
O. B. THORNTON,

The report on Obituaries was read by W. P. Dorril and adopted:

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

On examining the letters we find that seventeen of our brethren and sisters whose names follow have died:

Friendship church—W. C. Sissoms, Walter Gaddis and W. J. Phillips.

New Hope—W. B. Williams and Sinie Lyle.

Walnut Grove—Annie Adams and L. Jones.

Center Hill—Bettie Merchant.

Stump Bridge—One.

Salem—B. F. Woods.

Good Hope—L. Frances Allen and Nancy E. Turner.

Camden—N. A. Allen.

Hebron—Effie Mongson.

Standing Pine—Myrtle Wood.

Wake Forest—Felix Lacy.

Mount Zion—(chk) Louisa Willis.

Their bodies have fallen on sleep to await the resurrection when they will come forth from their resting place and be reunited with the soul. Then they will enter their eternal home.

May the blessings of God rest upon on all the bereft.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. DORRIL, J. M. PORTER,
ROBERT HAWTHORN.

The report on Orphanage was read by J. F. Parkinson, discussed by J. F. Parkinson and adopted:

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

Your committee appointed to report on the Orphanage, make the following report:

The Orphanage located at Jackson, has 112 acres of choice land with some improvements. The new dormitory has been completed and furnished. Bro. Foster is now prepared to care for as many as a hundred orphans. There are at present, under his care, sixty-eight fatherless children.

The Orphanage has made rapid progress during the past year. This reminds us that the hand of God who is a Father to the fatherless, is leading with the enlargement of the Orphanage for usefulness, and with the increased number of orphans cared for, comes upon us an additional responsi-

bility. We would therefore insist that the churches, each and every one make regular and liberal contributions, either in money, clothing, or provisions for the support of this worthy institution.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. PARKINSON, F. M. ELLINGTON,
A. P. GOBER.

The report of the committee on Trustees was read by J. M. Porter and adopted:

REPORT ON TRUSTEES.

Your committee to recommend names to fill the vacancies in the Board of Trustees of Harmony Baptist Institute, hereby present the names of T. G. Ward to succeed himself and A. M. Langford to succeed A. B. Hill, as suitable persons for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. PORTER.

By motion, the body adjourned to meet at nine A. M, Sunday.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION.

After devotional exercises conducted by Z. M. Dunn, the moderator called the Association to order.

Minutes of Saturday's session was read by the clerk and adopted by the body.

The report on Nominations was read by O. B. Thornton and adopted:

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS.

Your committee on Nominations submit the following report:

We recommend that A. M. Barnett be appointed to preach the introductory sermon at the next meeting of the Association and E. J. Hill his alternate.

We recommend that the next meeting of the Executive Board be held with New Union, beginning Friday before the fifth Sunday in Nov. 1902, and that the following named brethren be appointed as members of the Executive Board, and that each church be requested to appoint one additional.

Bethany.....	Will Jimmie	Mt. Zion, (chk).....	Tom Anderson.
Camden.....	J. E. Gober	New Hope.....	J. Z. Grimes.
Carthage.....	J. F. Catenhead	New Providence.....	W. Gross.
Cedar Grove.....	John Watkins	New Union.....	W. D. Evans.
Center Hill.....	Chas. Evans	Plymouth.....	R. C. Barham.
Cross Roads.....	C. C. Anderson Jr.	Rocky Point.....	L. Horn.

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Hopewell (chk).....	F. P. S. Thombie	Union (chk).....	Rufus York.
Lottville	B. F. Leggot	Unity.....	S. H. Elam.
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Mt. Zion.....	A. M. Thomas.		

The committee appointed to draft programme for the meeting of next Board: T. J. Moore, G. W. Nutt and J. G. Gilmore:

REPORT ON PROGRAMME.

We request that each church select their best workers as members of the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. PARKER,

O. B. THORNTON.

The report on Woman's Work was read by T. G. Ward, discussed by T. J. Moore, T. E. Morris and E. J. Hill, and adopted:

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

Woman was designated in Scripture as the helpmeet of man. In all ages of the world she has more than earned the sobriquet, for she not only has been a help, but often a leader in good works. When Christ came woman was ready to do him honor, and when he died woman lingered longest at the grave. She was first to proclaim His resurrection and has always stood in front ranks of the true worshippers.

In modern times it has been deemed well to organize Christian women so as to make their services for Christ more effective. So our missionary and other societies came about. The work has grown and is still growing. And there seems to be no limit to the possibilities of the Christian women, and in fact without them the probability of evangelizing the world would be a more serious problem. The Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention was organized fourteen years ago. Since it came into being, it has raised for our denominational work, \$704,501.00. During the last conventional year it raised in cash \$54,716.52; by boxes, \$33,353.55; a total of \$88,129.07. It is estimated that there are co-operating in this Union about 2,500 societies and boards throughout the Southern States. Though it is difficult to ascertain the number of societies and

boards in our own State, we can safely say that there are not less than two hundred.

We regret to say we have only two societies in our own Association. They have raised during the associational year for various purposes, \$142. 21. There is however still some prejudice against woman societies, but it is confined mostly to the unlearned. We hope to see the day when every Baptist woman will be an active worker in some organization of woman for the furtherance of the cause of Christ. The possibilities are immense. Sisters, you can help! Surely you, for whom Christ died, cannot refuse to lend a helping hand in sending the Gospel to those who have it not. Don't wait, but come out on the Lord's side and help the brethren to fulfill the great command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

Respectfully submitted,

T. G. WARD.

G. W. MOORE,

W. O. LINDSEY.

The report on Sustentation was read by E. J. Hill; and discussed by E. J. Hill, and others, after which a collection was taken up for the benefit of sisters, R. J. Barnett widow of Rev. Eli Barnett, deceased, and Lizzie Woods which resulted as follows, R. J. Barnett \$8.05, Lizzie Woods \$17.00, and adopted;

REPORT ON SUSTENTATION.

Your committee on Sustentation beg leave to make the following report;

Sustentation of our disabled ministers and needy widows of ministers is a worthy work. We note one of our churches, reporting contributions to this cause, to wit; Standing Pine. We recommend that pastors call the attention of this work to their churches.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. HILL,

B. W. FERGUSON,

J. E. GOBER.

The report on Sunday schools was read by G. W. Nutt; and discussed by T. J. Moore, O. M. Lucas, and adopted:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your committee on Sunday schools beg leave to report;

The Sunday school is we believe one of the best ways to train people in the study of the Scriptures, but there seems to be a great deal of indifference manifested on the part of Christian people with reference to this important work. The statistics of the Sunday school work in the State show that out of 1,280 churches only 880 have Sunday schools, only nine increase over

last year. In our Association of 32 churches only 13 report schools. This should not be the case. In order to stimulate the churches of our Association in this work we recommend that the resolutions of our State Convention Sunday school report be printed in our minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. NUTT,
J. N. DORRIL,
A. B. COLEMAN

RESOLUTIONS OF THE STATE CONVENTION.

Be it Resolved 1ST, That our pastors be urged to make a careful study of the Sunday school question that they may be able to be of practical help to their people in the matter of teaching the Scriptures and that our pastors be urged to preach occasionally on the duties of the followers of Christ to engage in the study and the teaching of the Bible and themselves to take a personal interest in the Sunday schools in their territory.

2ND, That our splendid force of State missionaries be urged to see to the organization of Sunday schools in their territories.

3RD, That the Corresponding Secretary of the Convention Board be requested to select, or have selected in each Association in this State, some one who shall be the representative of the Sunday school interest in his Association who shall seek to establish a Sunday school in each church; to see that there is a report on Sunday schools in his Association and a statistical report made.

4TH, That each of our Baptist schools for higher education be requested to instruct in Sunday schools methods.

5TH, That our Sunday schools be urged to organize classes for the study of the normal course provided by the Sunday school Board at Nashville, Tenn.

6TH, That the resolution by J. T. Buck which was referred to your committee, be adopted with such modification as that it read as follows:

Resolved, That the Convention Board be instructed to appropriate \$1200 to Sunday school work in the bounds of this Convention during the next Conventional year, and that as soon as a suitable man, minister or layman, can be secured, he be employed to be known as a Sunday school Field Secretary whose duty it shall be to organize Sunday schools where there are none and develop those now organized, his work to be done under the supervision of the Board. We would also recommend the Sunday school Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and pledge ourselves to hearty co-operation in all its lines of work.

By motion, brethren T. J. Moore, J. P. Spinks, and J. F. Catenhead were appointed as a committee to confer with and secure the service of the Sunday school Field Secretary in the churches of the Harmony Association.

The Finance committee submitted their report which was adopted and will be found in tabulated form on another page.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

To cash from Finance committee:	
For Associational purposes.....	\$66 25
For General Missions.....	\$48 15
For State Missions.....	\$88 01
For Home Missions.....	\$31 90
For Foreign Missions.....	\$45 40
To amounts handed by past clerk.....	\$8 00
Total.....	\$287 71

CREDITS.

By cash paid to A. V. Rowe:	
For General Missions.....	\$48 15
For State Missions.....	\$88 01
For Home Missions.....	\$31 90
For Foreign Missions.....	\$45 40
By cash to self for services as clerk.....	\$15 00
For printing and mailing minutes.....	\$36 98
For paper and postage.....	90
Total.....	\$266 34
Balance on hand.....	\$21 37

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, 1, That the expenses of the delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention from Harmony Association be paid out of the funds of the Association.

Resolved, 2, That the clerk of this body be allowed the usual amount of \$15.00 for his services as clerk.

Resolved, 3; That the thanks of this body are due and are hereby tendered to Rocky Point Church and community for the very hospitable manner in which the delegates and visitors have been so royally entertained during the session of this body.

By motion the Association adjourned to meet with Good Hope Church, (Leake) on Friday at ten A. M. before the fourth Sunday in October, 1903.

T. E. MORRIS, *Moderator.*

T. G. WARD, *Clerk.*

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

A. M. Barnett.....	Standing Pine	T. E. Morris.....	Lena.
T. J. Moore.....	Lena	T. G. Ward.....	Lena.
G. W. Nutt.....	Good Hope	E. J. Hill.....	Dossville.
W. P. Dorril.....	Palona	E. T. Dendy.....	Cameron.
J. H. Vinson.....	Canton	W. B. Lee.....	Thomastown.
Scott York (chk).....	Standing Pine	Allen Wilson (chk).....	Saint Ann.
T. S. Chitto.....	Edinburg	Rufus York.....	Thomastown.

LICENTIATES.

P. C. Barnett.....	Lena	Warren Savel.....	Lena.
J. G. Gilmore.....	Lena	C. C. Anderson.....	Bertice.
F. P. S. Thombie (chk),	Standing Pine		

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The following brethren are appointed to prepare reports on subjects, assigned them to be read at the meeting of Harmony Association in October, 1903.

Missions—J. G. Gilmore.

Ministerial Education and Mississippi College—T. J. Moore.

Publications—E. J. Hill.

Temperance—W. P. Dorril.

Sabbath Schools—N. F. Wallace.

Woman's Work—A. H. Langston.

Orphanage—G. W. Nutt.

Nominations—J. F. Kernop.

Sustentation—A. M. Barnett.

Obituaries—A. B. Coleman.

Queries and Requests—B. W. Ferguson.

Apportionment—T. G. Ward.

APPORTIONMENT.

Amounts each church is asked to try to raise during the year.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions...	Foreign Missions.
Lena.			
Lena.			
Dossville.			
Cameron.			
Thomastown.			
Saint Ann.			
Thomastown.			
Bethany (chk).....	1 00	1 00	1 00
Camden.....	10 00	10 00	8 00
Carthage.....	20 00	10 00	20 00
Cedar Grove.....	6 50	2 00	4 00
Center Hill.....	10 00	5 00	5 00
Cross Roads.....	4 00	3 00	3 00
Friendship.....	30 00	30 00	30 00
Good Hope (Leake).....	20 00	15 00	15 00
Good Hope (Madison).....	10 00	10 00	10 00
Hebron.....	6 00	4 00	5 00
Hopewell.....	4 00	2 00	4 00
Hopewell (chk).....	2 00	1 00	1 00
Liberty Hill, dissolved.....			
Lottville.....	5 00	2 00	4 00
Midway.....	3 00	2 00	3 00
Mount Carmel.....	15 00	10 00	11 00
Mount Zion.....	10 00	5 00	5 00
Mount Zion (chk).....	2 00	1 00	1 00
New Hope.....	5 00	5 00	5 00
New Providence.....	6 00	2 00	4 00
New Union.....	3 00	3 00	3 00
Plymouth.....	2 00	2 00	2 00
Rocky Point.....	5 00	5 00	5 00
Salem.....	5 00	5 00	5 00
Standing Pine.....	5 00	5 00	5 00
Stump Bridge.....	5 00	4 00	5 00
Thomastown.....	20 00	15 00	15 00
Tuscola.....	8 00	10 00	10 00
Union (chk).....	2 00	1 00	1 00
Unity.....	5 00	5 00	5 00
Wake Forest.....			
Walnut Grove.....	4 00	3 00	3 00

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College—T. J.



STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTOR & POST OFFICE.	CLERK & POST OFFICE.	Days of meeting.			Increase.		Decrease.		Total membership.	Minutes wanted.
			Baptized.	By letter.	Restored.	By letter.		Exclusion.	Death.		
Bethany (chk)	Tom Chitto, Edinburg.	Will Jimmie, Franks	3	1	5		215	2		23	10
Camden.	J. G. Gilmore, Good Hope.	G. B. Garner, Camden	3					1		10	10
Carthage.	T. E. Morris, Lena	J. F. Cattenhead, Carthage	1							92	20
Cedar Grove	G. W. Nutt, Good Hope	J. A. Watkins, Good Hope	1				2	3		38	10
Center Hill	E. J. Hill, Dossville	J. D. Pope, Conway	3	3	3		2	2	1	109	20
Cross Roads.	G. W. Nutt, Good Hope	J. A. Nutt, Birtice	3	2	2		17			22	10
Friendship	T. J. Moore, Lena	S. A. Moore, Lena	2	12	4		7	4	3	163	60
Good Hope (Leake)	T. E. Morris, Lena	R. H. Wiggins, Good Hope	4	3	3		1	1	2	104	25
Good Hope (Mad)	E. J. Hill, Dossville	D. G. Barrett, Muldonville	3	11	2		3			128	25
Hebron	G. W. Nutt, Good Hope	O. B. Thornton, Mamie	2	2			1	6		34	10
Hopewell	J. E. Curry, Kosciusko	F. W. Fisher, Boletusha	1	9	2		1	2		43	10
Hopewell (chk)	Scott York, Standing Pine	Willie Jack, Standing Pine	1							52	10
Lottville	H. H. Webb, Clinton	E. F. Leggett, Lottville	1							7	10
Midway	D. B. Cannon, Edinburg	G. G. Naylor, Coosa	2				2	2		18	8
Mt. Carmel	No Pastor	J. P. Sparks, Edinburg	2	6			5			50	15
Mt. Zion	E. W. Breland, Hay's Mill	J. S. D. Phillips, Zion	4	8	2		8			125	
Mt. Zion (chk)	Allen Willis, St. Ann's	Par Chitto, St. Ann's	2				1			38	10
New Hope	A. M. Barnett Standing Pine	C. Weems, Estes' Mill	3	4			2			33	10
New Providence	Not Represented	J. M. Thomas, Carthage	3	4	1					38	6
New Union	Z. M. Dunn, Edinburg	Not Represented								46	10
Plymouth	J. A. Thomas, Waldo	B. P. Horn, Barnes	1	7	2		5	1		108	25
Rocky Point	Z. M. Innin, Edinburg	B. P. Horn, Barnes	3	18	6			3		112	25
Salem	E. J. Hill, Dossville	J. M. Mooney, Marydell	1	12				3		155	25
Standing Pine	A. M. Barnett Standing Pine	P. G. Barnett, Estes' Mill	1							42	10
Stump Bridge	B. F. Miller, Vaughans	A. B. Coleman, Canton	2	6	2			1		96	30
Thomastown	H. M. Whitten, McVile	J. G. Carnes, Thomastown	1	8	2			1		65	15
Tuscola	T. J. Moore, Lena	R. L. Denson, Tuscola	3	4	4					24	10
Union (chk)	Rufus York, Thomastown	Austin Jim, Shrock	2	2			3			51	8
Unity	B. F. Miller, Vaughans	R. D. King, Redmonville	2	2				8		23	15
Wake Forest	H. M. W. Whitten, McVile	R. W. Moore, Thomastown	2	9	6			1		79	25
Walnut Grove	T. J. Moore, Lena	J. L. Parker, Walnut Grove	4							117	39
			117	39	12	167	39	19	1564	492	

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Total sent up									
	\$ 1 00	\$ 2 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00
Bethany (chk)	4 25									
Camden	3 00									
Carthage	1 50	1 00	1 50							
Cedar Grove	3 00		5 50	5 50						
Center Hill	1 50									
Gross Roads	5 10	38 00								
Friendship	5 00									
Good Hope (Leake)	2 50	3 30	5 00	20 00						
Hebron	2 00									
Hopewell	1 50	2 85								
Hopewell (chk)	1 00		3 00							
Lottville										
Midway	1 00		2 50	1 25						
Mt. Carmel	2 50		2 50	5 00						
Mt. Zion	3 00	5 00	5 00	12 85						
Mt. Zion (chk)	2 00	1 10								
New Hope	2 50			2 25						
New Providence										
New Union	75		75	50						
Plymouth										
Rocky Point	4 00	5 00	5 00	3 00						
Salem	2 25	5 00	4 90	5 00	2 00					
Standing Pine	3 75	5 50								
Stump Bridge	2 35									
Thomastown	2 50		10 00							
Tuscola	2 35	9 50								
Union (chk)	1 90		2 00							
Unity	1 25		1 00							
Wake Forest	1 00	1 00	1 00							
Walnut Grove	2 00	30 30								
Grand total	\$ 4 00		\$ 4 00							
Total sent A. V. Rowe	\$ 4 50									
Orphanage										
General Missions										
Foreign Missions										
Home Missions										
State Missions										
Total sent up	\$ 4 00		\$ 4 00							
Orphanage										
General Missions										
Foreign Missions										
Home Missions										
State Missions										
Associational purposes	\$ 1 00	\$ 2 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00

Collection on Sunday for Orphanage \$296 72
Collection on Sunday for Mrs. Leake Woods \$13 34
Collection on Sunday for Mrs. Leake Woods \$17 00
Collection on Sunday for Orphanage \$274 05
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